

**MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 19, 2006  
CHINCOTEAGUE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

**Council Members Present:**

John H. Tarr, Mayor  
Anita Speidel, Vice Mayor  
Nancy B. Conklin, Councilwoman  
Terry Howard, Councilman  
Ellen W. Richardson, Councilwoman  
E. David Ross, Councilman  
Glenn B. Wolfe, Councilman

***Call to Order***

Mayor Tarr called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

***Invocation***

Councilman Ross offered the invocation.

***Pledge of Allegiance***

Mayor Tarr led the Pledge of Allegiance.

***Agenda Additions/Deletions and Adoption***

Councilman Ross motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Richardson to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

***1. Approval of Minutes of the October 2, 2006 Regular Council Meeting.***

Councilwoman Conklin stated that she was not present at the October 2 meeting. Councilwoman Conklin motioned, seconded by Councilman Ross, to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was unanimously approved.

***2. Presentation: County Reassessment, Tri-County Appraisals.***

Mayor Tarr introduced Mr. Bill Coulson of Tri-County Appraisals and Mr. Brent Hurdle, Accomack County Assessor. Mr. Coulson explained the purpose of property reassessment as well as the reassessment process. He then responded to several questions from the public and Council. Mr. Hurdle elaborated on the reassessment process. He also responded to questions from Council.

***3. Recreation and Community Enhancement Committee Report of September 14, 2006.***

Vice Mayor Speidel informed Council of the items discussed at the meeting. Councilman Wolfe motioned, seconded by Councilman Howard, to approve the report as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

**4. *Chincoteague Recreation and Convention Center Authority Report of September 25, 2006.***

Councilwoman Conklin reported on the items discussed at the meeting. Councilman Howard motioned, seconded by Councilman Ross, to approve the report as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

**5. *Ordinance Committee Report of September 13 and 18, 2006.***

Councilman Ross informed Council of the items discussed at the meeting. Councilman Wolffe motioned, seconded by Vice Mayor Speidel, to approve the report as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

**6. *Safety Advisory and Transportation Committee Report of October 5, 2006.***

Mayor Tarr reported on the items discussed at the meeting. Councilman Wolffe motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Richardson, to approve the report as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

**7. *Software Purchase.***

Councilman Wolffe motioned, seconded by Councilman Howard, to award the Town's software upgrade to Harris Computer Systems in the amount of \$38,135.00 plus travel and lodging costs, and for the Town Manager to execute the contract documents. The motion was unanimously approved.

**8. *Resolution for T-21 Grant Assistance for Property Acquisition.***

Councilwoman Richardson motioned, seconded by Councilman Howard, to adopt the following resolution for T-21 Grant Assistance for Property Acquisition. The motion was unanimously approved.

**RESOLUTION**

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

Whereas, in accordance with Commonwealth Transportation Board construction allocation procedures, it is necessary that a request by resolution be received for the local government or state agency in order that the Virginia Department of Transportation program an enhancement project in the Town of Chincoteague.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Town of Chincoteague requests the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish a project for the continuation of the Chincoteague Main Street Corridor Enhancement Project.

Be it Further Resolved, that the Town of Chincoteague hereby agrees to pay a minimum twenty percent of the total cost for planning and design, right-of-way and construction of this project, and that if the Town of Chincoteague subsequently elects to cancel this project, the Town hereby agrees to reimburse the Virginia Department of Transportation for the

total amount of costs expended by the Department through the date the Department is notified of such cancellation.

Adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2006.  
Chincoteague Island, Virginia

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
John H. Tarr, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert G. Ritter, Jr., Town Manager

## **9. Mayor and Council Announcements or Comments.**

- Mayor Tarr commended Police Chief Lewis on his Department's efforts with the Haunted Forest.
- Town Manager Ritter thanked Council for supporting and approving the software purchase.
- Councilwoman Richardson announced that the Planning Commission will meet on October 24.
- Councilman Ross asked Police Chief Lewis the procedure for barking dog complaints. Police Chief Lewis explained the protocol. Mayor Tarr recommended that the Ordinance Committee review the matter.
- Councilman Wolffe commended Staff for their research on the software upgrade.
- Councilman Howard commented that the Town should consider purchasing a pavement compactor. Mayor Tarr recommended that a list of the sections of pavement that need repair be given to Public Works Director Cosby for consideration.

## ***Adjournment of Meeting***

Mayor Tarr announced that the next meeting will be on November 6, 2006 at 7:30 pm. Councilman Howard motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Richardson, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

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Mayor

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Town Manager